

## **SDCFL Inc. RESOLUTION CONCERNING AGENDA 21**

The United Nations is an organization of nations that was formed in 1945 to promote peace, security, and international cooperation. The UN has routinely overstepped its original mission and in 1992, at the United Nations Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, the UN declared it would undertake the task *to protect the rights of future generations and all species against the potential crimes of the present*. The plan to accomplish this new goal, which goes far beyond the original UN charter, is found in Agenda 21.

The three cornerstones of United Nations Agenda 21 are; Economy, Ecology and Social Equity. United Nations Agenda 21 is a comprehensive plan to institute policies of extreme environmentalism, social engineering, and global political control.

United Nations Agenda 21 describes social justice as the right and opportunity of all people to benefit equally from the resources afforded by society and the environment. United Nations Agenda 21 proposes to achieve this definition of social justice by instituting a socialist/communist-style redistribution of wealth worldwide. According to United Nations Agenda 21 national sovereignty is deemed a social injustice.

United Nations Agenda 21 documents state that individual rights, which will be determined by a globalist governing body, will be subordinate to the needs of communities. United Nations Agenda 21 calls for governments to take control of all land use, including distribution of water and production of food, and remove any decision making from the hands of private property owners.

Neither the U.S. government nor any state or local government is legally bound by the United Nations Agenda 21 treaty, signed by Pres. George H. Bush, in that it has never been ratified by the U.S. Senate.

United Nations Agenda 21 is being covertly pushed into local communities throughout the United States of America by the International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), now calling itself "Local Governments for Sustainability". The ICLEI is aided by the President's Council on Sustainable Development (PCSD) which was founded by Pres. Bill Clinton. ICLEI encourages local governing bodies to establish local "sustainable development" policies, such as Smart Growth, the Wildlands Project, Resilient Cities, Regional Visioning Projects, and many other "green" or "alternative" projects.

SDCFL Inc. believes that United Nations Agenda 21 is in direct conflict with the protections afforded citizens by the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of South Dakota. SDCFL Inc. therefore opposes any attempts to implement United Nations Agenda 21 in any level of government: town, city, county, state and national. SDCFL Inc. is committed to exposing the dangerous intent of United Nations Agenda 21 and to educating the public and elected officials about its infiltration into local, state and federal government agencies.

AN ACT relative to the United Nations Agenda 21 and the non-governmental organization International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives, also known as ICLEI — Local Governments for Sustainability. ICLEI is not a United Nations agency or controlled by the U.N. in any way. ICLEI is an independent non-profit organization.

Working with elected officials, we help voice local government needs and priorities during international negotiations and agreements, such as the U.N. climate negotiations, where ICLEI serves as the official representative of local governments, or the U.N. talks on biodiversity.

Agenda 21 is a sustainability action plan of the United Nations—not ICLEI—that came out of the U.N. “Earth Summit” in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 1992. At the Summit, governmental leaders around the world agreed on the need to become more sustainable—to meet today’s needs without sacrificing our future. Agenda 21 presents a vision for how all levels of government can take voluntary action to improve sustainability and quality of life for people, addressing issues such as pollution, resource conservation, and poverty.

## **ICLEI and sustainability**

Frequently asked questions about what sustainability is, what it means for local governments and how ICLEI is working toward sustainability

### **What is sustainability?**

Sustainability is often defined as “meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.” So from this definition, we can say that certain activities are sustainable, like replanting trees or investing in education, while others are unsustainable, like massive deficit spending or dumping harmful pollutants into waterways.

Sustainability balances the aims of three interrelated pillars: environmental, economic, and social. Sustainability promotes the idea of viewing issues holistically, rather than just through narrower environmental or economic lenses.

Rio+20

Biodiversity

Climate

EcoMobility

Management Instruments

Procurement

Resilience and Adaptation

Sustainable Cities

Water

Global goals and targets  
the Rio Conventions:

The UN Framework Convention on Climate Change,

The UN Convention on Biological Diversity,

The UN Convention to Combat Desertification

Agenda 21

the Habitat Agenda

the Millennium Development Goals

the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation

WHEREAS, for the purposes of this act, a “political subdivision” means all state, county, incorporated city, unincorporated city, public local entity, public-private partnership, or any other public entity thereof; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Agenda 21 is a comprehensive plan of extreme environmentalism, social engineering, and global political control that was initiated at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 1992; and

WHEREAS, neither the U.S. government nor any state or local government is legally bound by the United Nations Agenda 21 treaty in that it has never been ratified by the U.S. Senate; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Agenda 21 is being covertly pushed into local communities throughout the United States of America through the International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), now calling itself “Local Governments for Sustainability,” through local "sustainable development" policies, such as Smart Growth, Wildlands Project, Resilient Cities, Regional Visioning Projects, and other "Green" or "Alternative" projects; and

WHEREAS, this plan of radical so-called "sustainable development" views the American way of life of private property ownership, single-family homes, private car ownership and individual travel choices, and privately owned farms all as destructive to the environment; and

WHEREAS, according to the United Nations Agenda 21 policy, social justice is described as the right and opportunity of all people to benefit equally from the resources afforded by society and the environment which would be accomplished by a socialist/communist-style redistribution of wealth; and

WHEREAS, according to the United Nations Agenda 21 policy, national sovereignty is deemed a social injustice; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Newell is prohibited from implementing programs of, expending any sum of money for, being a member of, receiving funding from, contracting services from, or giving financial or other forms of aid to ICLEI — Local Governments for Sustainability, or any other organization promoting the implementation of the United Nations Agenda 21, sustainable development, or smart growth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body recognize the destructive and insidious nature of the United Nations Agenda 21, endorse rejection of its radical policies and of any grant monies attached to it, and recommend exposing to the public and public policymakers across the country the dangerous intent of the plan.